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1. The title of the Ministry itself is:

   Ministerium fuer Inner-deutschen Handel, Aussenhandel, und Materialversorgung. (Ministry for Inner-German Trade, Foreign Trade, and Material Supply.)

   The Minister is Georg Handke.

   The total staff of the whole organization numbers 805; of these 95 are in the Staff Organization.

2. The Staff Organization is composed of the following four divisions, all of which are on the same organizational level.

   a. Abt. Schulung (Division of Training)

      Official in charge, Strei; controlling:

      Gr. Leitung (Administrative Section) (2)*
      Ref. Schulung (Training Section) (4)

   b. Abt. Sekretariat (Secretarial Division) (11)

      Official in charge, Mrs. Schwerdfeger.

   c. Abt. Verwaltung (Administrative Division) (76)

      Official in charge, Prochnow; this division includes the legal section, interpreters, and the motor pool.

   d. Staatssekretaer (State-Secretary) (1)

      Official in Charge: Hans Paul Ganter-Gilmans.
      The State-Secretary controls the following offices, the detailed breakdown of which is given below:

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1) HA Aussenhandel (Office of Foreign Trade)

2) HA Innerdeutscher Handel (Office of Inner-German Trade)

3) HA Materialversorgung (Office of Material Supply)

3. HA Aussenhandel (Office of Foreign Trade) (288)

Official in charge, Ministerialdirektor Lore Pieck Staimer; assistant, Ministerialdirigent Makower, controlling:

a. Sekretariat (Secretariat) (8), which controls:

1) Abt. Personal (Personnel Division) (8)

Chief, Lange.

2) Abt. Handelspolitik u. Handelsvertretung (Division of Trade Policies and Representation (78)

Chief, Groel.

3) Abt. Finanzen und Valuta (Division of Finances and Foreign Exchange) (30)

Chief, Renneisen.

4) Abt. Export (Export Division) (72)

Chief, Frankfurter.

5) Abt. Import (Import Division) (47)

Chief, Schultchen.

6) Abt. Ausstellungen u. Messen (Division of Exhibitions and Fairs) (10)

Chief, Dr. Kromrey.

7) Abt. Auslandsverkehr (Division of Foreign Commerce) (32)

Chief, Henschel.

4. HA Innerdeutscher Handel (Office of Inner-German Trade) (136)

Official in charge, Ministerialdirektor Josef Orlopp, controlling:

a. Sekretariat (Secretariat) (7), which controls:

1) Abt. Personal (Personnel Division) (5)

2) Abt. Planung u. Statistik; Grundsatzfragen (Division of Planning and Statistics; Basic Policy Problems) (26)

Chief, Bruemmer.

3) Abt. Einkauf (Purchasing Division) (26)

Chief, Handel.

4) Abt. Verkauf (Sales Division) (40)

Chief, Karsten.

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5) Abt. Finanzen (Finance Division) (20)

Chief, Winguth.

6) Abt. Innerdeutscher Verkehr (10)(Division of German Internal Commerce)

Chief, Hellwig.

5. HA Materialversorgung (Office of Material Supply) (286)

Official in charge, Ministerialdirektor Erwin Kerber, Assistant Ministerialdirigent Alred Binz; controlling:

a. Sekretariat (Secretariat) (8), which controls:

1) Abt. Personal (Personnel Division) (8)

Chief, Mader.

2) Abt. Grundsatzfragen (Division of Basic Policy Problems) (20)

Chief, Hofmeister.

3) Abt. Staatlicher Grosshandel (Division of State Wholesaling) (18)

Chief, Weichel.

4) Abt. Staatliche Materialreserven (Division of State Reserves of Materials) (15)

Chief, Stein.

5) Abt. Kontrolle (Control Division) (30)

Chief, Runge.

6) Abt. Kontingenstraeger (Allocations Divison) (25)

Chief, Richter.

b. Fachabteilungen (Specialties Divisions) (159)

1) Abt. I - Kohle (Coal (9); Chief, Melms.

2) Abt. II - Mineral-Oel Treibstoff (Oil and Engine Fuels) (10); Chief, Preiss.

3) Abt. III - Metallurgie (Metallury) (24); Chief, Schneider.

4) Abt. IV - Maschinenbau, Elektrotechnik, Feinmechanik (Machine Construction, Electronics, Precision Machine Work) (25); Chief, Hoefinghoff.

5) Abt. V - Chemie (Chemistry) (20); Chief, Huetter.

6) Abt. VI-Steine u. Erden (Stone and Earths) (10); Chief, Berndt.

7) Abt. VII - Holz u. Papier (Wood and Paper (10); Chief (Wood), Neumann; Chief (Paper), Langenstrass.

8) Abt. VIII - Textil (Textiles) (18); Chief, Herzberg.

9) Abt. IX - Altmaterial - Innere Reserven (Old Materials and Internal Reserves) (16); Chief, Wissing.

* [redacted] Comment: Figures in ( ) indicate number of staff members. 50X1-HUM

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